

REMARKS

The purpose of the instant amendment is to add the related application information, cancel claims 1-8 and 21, and provide an abstract, thereby conforming this application to the parent application, Serial No. 09/430,072. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Favorable consideration and early allowance of all pending claims is requested.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, following the Title of the Invention, a paragraph has been inserted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-8 and 21 have been cancelled.

Claim 17 has been replaced with the following:

17. (once amended) The combination of Claim 16 wherein the cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is selected from compounds, their prodrugs and their pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

3-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-4-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-2-(5H)-furanone;

3-phenyl-4-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-2-(5H)-furanone;

4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

3-[1-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-4-trifluoromethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]pyridine;

2-methyl-5-[1-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-4-trifluoromethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]pyridine;

4-[2-(5-methylpyridin-3-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-imidazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-methyl-3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-hydroxyethyl-3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

[2-trifluoromethyl-5-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-4-oxazolyl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[2-methyl-4-phenyl-5-oxazolyl]benzenesulfonamide; and

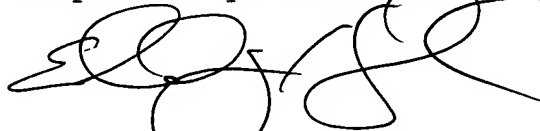
4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl-2-trifluoromethyl)-4-oxazolyl]benzenesulfonamide

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Following the claims, an abstract has been added.

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